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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Senate committee having the matter in charge agree to report adversely the nomination of W. D. Crum to be collector of the port of Charleston, S. C. —— The Senate was in executive session five hours yesterday; in the House the Sundry Civil appropriation bill was considered; appropriations for the White House being sharply criticised. —— A motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate ratified the Alaskan treaty was laid on the table yesterday. ——Senator Morgan in executive session of the Senate yesterday spoke in opposition to the Panama treaty. ——President Baer, of the Reading Railroad, wound up the argument for the operators before the strike commission yesterday; Darrow, for the miners, began his reply. —— The application for bail of J. H. Tillman, in jail at Columbia, S. C., for killing Editor Gonzales, will be heard next Tuesday. —— Dr. J. L. M. Curry died at Asheville, N. C., last night. —— The east-bound train on the Northern Pacific road was held up and robbed near Butte, Mon., of several thousand dollars. —— John Frith shot and killed two men at Eckman, W. Va.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 12.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 47 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 68 degrees; minimum, 46 degrees; mean, 57 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 2.38 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 5 P. M. 40 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 —For North Carolina—Fair Friday; Saturday, cloudy, probably rain; fresh south winds, becoming variable.

Port Almanac—February 13.

Sun Rises	6.52 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.38 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 46 M.
High Water at Southport	8.52 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	11.32 A. M.

Judging from the cable dispatches from the other side, we may soon hear "the Macedonian cry."

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who is assessed at $500,000 says $470,000 of his wealth is invested in non-assessable stuff, but he is willing to pay tax on $50,000.

There seems to be a railroad car famine following the coal famine in the West. A Chicago man who wants to ship 5,000 car-loads of corn can't get more than half a dozen cars.

Some fellows get out of trouble by using their legs but an Atlanta darkey got into limbo by too free use of one of his. It was an artificial limb and he beat his wife to death with it.

John D Rockefeller, Jr., says money isn't everything. No it isn't, but it is a good thing to have as a matter of convenience. Without it, and lots of it, some men wouldn't "cut much ice."

They are teaching the languages by machinery in the naval academy at Annapolis. They use phonographs. A good many of the boys who learn that way will talk these languages like machines, too.

The Japs have turned their attention to rapid shooting machines, and a lieutenant in the army claims to have hit the mark by the invention of an automatic pistol which will fire eighty shots a minute, with a range of 1,000 yards.

There is a bill before the Missouri Legislature prohibiting the playing of football at any school supported by State money, but there is a good deal of kicking against this proposition even in the Legislature and the pig skinners haven't been heard from yet.

Marconi is figuring his wireless telegraphy business down fine. He says after a while when they get it in good running shape messages may be sent across the Atlantic for half a cent a word. As we are not up in this thing we will take his word for it and let it go at that.

It is said that one of the results of American interference in the Venezuela racket may be to prevent the South American States from floating loans in Europe, and, it might have been added, anywhere else. Money lenders who take chances in those countries ought to take the consequences and not expect their Governments to collect bad debts for them.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard.

THE WATTS' BILL.

Representative Morton's Objection Drew Fire of Questions from the Galleries.

IN THE HOUSE YESTERDAY.

Discussion of the Measure When Adjournment Was Reached Yesterday Afternoon—Resumed To-day—The London Bill Reported.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 12.—The principal feature in the House to-day was a lengthy discussion of the Watts whiskey bill, which came up as a special order. Morton, of New Hanover, spoke at length against the bill at its present form and offered an amendment that the law apply to no county until ratified by a vote of its people.

The lobbies and galleries were crowded, mostly with ladies. Morton's argument elicited a considerable cross-fire of questions, so much so, that he appealed to the speaker to see that he was not further interrupted.

Lengthy arguments for the bill were made by Cowan, of Jackson, and Lucas, of Hyde. The House adjourned in the midst of the argument which will be resumed to-morrow.

The House argued early in to-day's session a bill to allow one corporation to own stock in another, finally referring it to be reported back for special order on Friday of next week.

The Senate Committee on Propositions and Grievances this afternoon voted 6 to 4 for a favorable report of the London Anti-Saloon bill. Chairman Vann will join the minority in an adverse report, so the committee really stands 6 to 5 for the London bill.

ENTERTAINED PASTOR AND OFFICERS

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sprunt Were Gracious Host and Hostess Yesterday Evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sprunt, from 8 to 10:30 o'clock last evening, delightfully entertained at a supper at their pretty home, No. 223 North Third street, the pastor and officers of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The guests were most hospitably received by Mr. and Mrs. Sprunt and an evening of rare enjoyment is the verdict of each of the entire official board of the church who were present.

During the evening Mr. Britt, Miss Britt and Mrs. Sprunt delighted the party with a number of beautiful musical selections.

The guests were Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of the church; Mr. James C. Stewart, secretary; Mr. Thos. F. Bagley, treasurer, and Mr. Thos. R. Post, Mr. W. H. Sprunt, Dr. A. D. McDonald, Mr. J. B. Hand, Mr. J. H. Thomas, Mr. Oscar Pearsall, elders; Mr. G. W. Britt, Capt. James P. Russell, Mr. S. P. McNair, Mr. W. C. VonGlahn, Mr. Geo. S. Boylan, Mr. W. R. Walker and Mr. E. Norfleet, deacons.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Georgia Minstrels leave this morning for Fayetteville.

— Cape Fear Camp of Veterans will meet at the W. L. I. armory to-night.

— There will be a special communication of Orient Lodge No. 395, A. F. & A. M. this evening at 8 o'clock for work in the master's degree.

— The STAR has received an additional contribution to the hospital ambulance fund which will be acknowledged with an announcement to-morrow.

— Southport *Standard*: "Reports from the county indicate that a good deal of tobacco will be planted by our farmers this year. Why not build a tobacco warehouse at Southport?"

— Southport *Standard*: "Report has it that in the near future at least 800 men will be stationed at Fort Caswell, but this is not probable until more quarters are constructed for the additional troops."

— Southport *Standard*: "The new lighthouse that is being erected on Smith's Island is rapidly nearing completion, it having reached the height of 124 feet up to last Saturday. The work is expected to be completed by April 1st, next.

— The W. C. T. U. did not meet Wednesday as was expected, but all members are urged to attend an important session this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the lecture room of the First Baptist church. All ladies who desire to enlist in the cause of temperance, whether members or not, are requested to come or send their names in for membership.

New Quarantine Surgeon.

In the Washington correspondence of the Raleigh *Post* it is stated that Dr. V. S. Warren, assistant surgeon, who has been on duty in the Surgeon General's office at Washington for two years, has been granted thirty days' sick leave. At the expiration of that time, it is stated, he will be detailed to the Cape Fear quarantine, Southport, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Bids wanted.
Notice—Bids wanted.
Notice—Execution sale.
Notice—Suit for divorce.
At Academy—Mabel Paige.
Masonic—Meeting Orient Lodge.
C. O. Alexander—Family groceries.

GEN. CHAFFEE HERE.

Distinguished U. S. A. Commander and Party Arrived Last Midnight from Charleston.

WASHINGTON THIS EVENING.

Inspection of Fort Caswell Will Be Made To-day—Committee from Chamber of Commerce to Welcome the Guests—Stmr. Mary Lilly.

General Adna R. Chaffee, commanding the Department of the East, U. S. A., arrived last midnight from Charleston, S. C., and will to-day make an official inspection of the army post at Fort Caswell. General Chaffee is accompanied by his staff and Col. C. Morris, of Charleston, commander of this district, U. S. A., and all are guests at The Orton. The party yesterday inspected the forts and coast defences in Charleston harbor and barely had time to catch the train for Wilmington. Upon their arrival they were very much fatigued after the long ride, but walked up from the railroad station and retired to their rooms early, leaving a call for 7 o'clock, as Gen. Chaffee desires to get to Caswell, make the inspection and return this afternoon in time to catch the 7 o'clock evening train for Washington, D. C. They will go down to the Fort on the government steamer *Mary Lilly*, leaving the city at 9 o'clock.

Returning to Washington, Gen. Chaffee will take a few days' rest and come down by steamer to Fortress Monroe to make an inspection there next week. Later the army posts near Baltimore and on the Delaware coast will be inspected until Feb. 26th, when he will return to his headquarters at Governor's Island, N. Y. He will then have inspected every coast defence from New Orleans to New York.

Gen. Chaffee and party will likely go down to Fort Caswell about 10:30 o'clock this morning on the steamer *Mary Lilly* and return this evening It is regretted very much by the Chamber of Commerce that the distinguished visitor's coming was rather unexpected as that body hoped to plan some form of public entertainment in his honor Yesterday a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Executive Committee was held and Gen. Chaffee's visit was discussed. Upon motion, President Chadbourn appointed a committee consisting of Col. A. M. Waddell, Mayor of Wilmington; Col. Walker Taylor, Paymaster General of the North Carolina State Guard, and Mr. H. W. Malloy, a representative business man, to call upon General Chaffee and welcome him to the city with members of his party. The committee will meet in the rooms of the Chamber this morning at 9 o'clock and proceed to The Orton to perform the pleasant duty assigned. Members of the committee will explain to General Chaffee that he was not expected until the 18th inst., and for that reason plans for his entertainment in a public manner had been disturbed. They will bid the distinguished visitor, however, a cordial welcome to the city and wish him a pleasant stay in Wilmington and at the army post, even if on official business. Capt. E. E. Winslow, in charge of the Engineers, Corps, U. S. A., at Wilmington, and the commanding and other officers at the post will of course be here to welcome their chief and facilitate his official duties in every manner possible. The party consists of Gen. Chaffee, Capt. J. R. Lindsay, A. D. C.; Lieut. Roy B. Harper, A. D. C.; Lieut. Col. W. R. F. Livermore, C. E.; Maj. G. F. E. Harrison, A. C., and Mr. W. H. Howell, Private Secretary.

WILL BEAUTIFY THE CITY.

Bids Called for Operating Rock Quarry and Furnishing Shade Trees.

In another column Chairman Johnson of the Streets and Wharves Committee, calls for bids for operating the city rock quarry and for furnishing 3,000 tons of crushed rock. Chairman Johnson also calls for bids for 200 shade trees, which will be used in extending and replanting the plaza on Fifth street. Specifications will be furnished on application and the bids will be opened at the City Hall at noon Feb. 24th.

The extension of the Fifth street plaza, if the Board of Audit and Finance concurs, will be from Red Cross street to Nixon, thereby furnishing an elegant driveway through the residence portion of the city, north to south, and connecting at Nixon street with the fine causeway recently completed by the county. The extension of the plaza on the very wide street will save a great deal in cost of macadam when the thoroughfare is finally completed and will at the same time beautify the city in no small way.

Y. M. C. A. Notes of Interest.

The second in a series of league basket ball games, which will be continued weekly until further notice at the Y. M. C. A., will be played to-night between the "Reds," Capt. W. Dosher, and the "Yellows," Capt. J. J. Loughlin. The Boys' Club at its second meeting at 5 o'clock this afternoon will be addressed by Dr. W. C. Galloway and Miss Hazel Dushan will play the piano. Mr. Will Duls will contribute a number of violin selections and other boys will take part. The meeting will be most enjoyable.

— Mr. E. R. Clark, a popular young railroad man of Louisville, Ky., has taken the position of chief rate clerk in the office of General Passenger Agent Craig, of the A. C. L.

PORT PARAGRAPHS.

All the News of a Day in the Markets and Shipping at Wilmington.

THE WHITLOCK FLOATED.

Steamer Garlands Raised and Proceeded North — New Commerce Chamber Members — Cotton Advanced Locally—Other Notes.

The river steamer *C. M. Whitlock*, Capt. Ellis Sherman, which sunk at Kelley's Bluff, six miles above Point Caswell, on Black river, early last Sunday morning, was successfully floated by the hoisting apparatus of the Wilmington Towing and Construction Co. Wednesday night and the steamer was expected here under her own steam yesterday evening. The damage was slight. Mr. H. L. Peterson was in charge of the apparatus, assisted by Mr. S. O. Yopp, and a nice job was made in raising the vessel. The hoister was towed down to Wilmington yesterday by the tug *Emma*.

The Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce met yesterday at noon, President Chadbourn, Secretary Kyle and Messrs. S. P. McNair, I. M. Bear and G. J. Boney having been in attendance. Meares & Ruark and S. H. Fishblate were elected to membership in Class C at $10 per year and the Angola Lumber Co. in Class B at $25 per year. The only other business was the appointment of a committee to welcome General Chaffee to-day. The committee is named in another column.

An Associated Press telegram last night from Cape Henry, Va., says: "The British steamer *Garlands*, bound from New London to Wilmington, N. C., Capt. Doherty, which was stranded one and one-half miles north of Big Kinnakeet, N. C., on Sunday morning, was pulled off by tugs this morning and proceeded northward."

The local cotton market advanced to 9½ cents for middling yesterday. The advance is on the strength of the New York market during the past week. The local quotations are now higher than for several years. Last year at this time the staple had gone to 8½ cents, but seven years ago in February only 4¼ cents was being paid here for middling.

The weather having become favorable, quite a fleet of outgoing vessels passed out at Southport yesterday as follows: Schooner *J. C. Strawbridge*, for Boston, at 9 A. M.; schooner *Estelle*, for New York, at 10 A. M.; steamer *Eastry*, for Manchester, Eng., at 10:45 A. M., and steamer *Daventry*, for Newport News, at noon.

Two of the small coasting vessels belonging to "Maffitt's fleet" cleared yesterday. The schooner *Maggie C.* went to New River points with full cargo of fertilizers and the *Ruth Darling* went to Georgetown, S. C., with a cargo of oil from the Standard Oil Company.

The steamer *City of Fayetteville* cleared from Fayetteville on 40 feet of water at 5 P. M. yesterday and will reach Wilmington at 8 A. M. to-day.

The revenue cutter *Tuscarora* arrived at 4 P. M. yesterday from a cruise along the coast.

AFTERMATH OF THE FIRE.

Blaze on Front Street Thought to Have Been Incendiary—The Safe.

There appears now to be little doubt but that the fire in Brown's dry goods establishment Tuesday night was the work of an incendiary, who either set fire to the place to hide robbery or did it carelessly in plundering the basement. Mr. Aubrey Walsh says he is positive the back door, which was found open, was securely fastened from the inside on the night before, and he is confirmed in that statement by Policeman Marcus Gray, who tried the back door in making his rounds at 8:30 o'clock. It is probable that the person responsible for the work secreted himself in the store and proceeded to plunder when the place was closed for the night.

Yesterday Mr. Brown's safe was taken from the ruins to his temporary office in the old Murchison Bank building. It was opened and the contents were found intact, though the dial of the combination was broken off. This was probably done when it fell from the second floor as its supports burned away.

Only Burning Grass.

The Fire Department had a quick run for a trifling cause yesterday. Some one saw volumes of smoke issuing from a back yard, near Third and Chesnut streets, and turned in an alarm from box 27. Arriving on the scene the firemen found a negro with sprinkler and rake quietly burning off a grass plot. Chief Schnibben cautioned the old negro to get permission from fire headquarters next time he wanted to raise so much smoke from behind a high fence where there were buildings.

Fought While in Waiting.

Walter Hunter and Walter Evans, two festive young negroes, who were awaiting the arrival of the Georgia Minstrels at Front and Red Cross streets yesterday, got to fighting. Officers E. Piner and W. J. Howard arrested the pair and sent them down in the "black maria." One of them had to be whacked with a club before he went down.

PILOTAGE MEASURE.

Brown, of Columbus, Introduced Bill in the Senate Abolishing Compulsory System.

LAW-MAKERS IN RALEIGH.

Union Depot Bill Passed With Amendment—Enlarge State Capitol—Election of Senators by Vote of the People Proposed—Notes.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 12.—The Senate to day passed the Durham depot bill, empowering the Corporation Commission to compel the erection of union depots in towns where two or more roads enter. The most important amendment was by Mann, of Chowan, that union depots cannot be ordered where present separate depots are adequate. The bill was ordered sent to the House for concurrence in amendments before ratification. Argument on this bill consumed over two hours.

Brown, of Columbus, introduced a bill to revise the navigation and pilotage laws at the port of Wilmington and on the Cape Fear river. He asked its reference to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances. Bellamy, of Brunswick, insisted that it go to the Judiciary Committee, saying that both he and Morton, representing people interested, were opposed to the bill. The Judiciary Committee reference was ordered. This is the beginning of a big fight that comes invariably at each session of the Legislature. This time, though, there seems to be a determination to fight to the finish.

Another notable bill introduced was by London, to appropriate $30,000 for a State exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition.

Notable bills introduced in the House to-day were:

Graham, joint resolution to obtain estimates as to the cost of enlarging the capitol.

Joint resolution on the election of Senators by the people.

Newland to amend the charter of Carolina and Northern Railroad.

Phillips, to change time for holding Brunswick courts.

Graham's resolution in the House to enlarge the State capitol provides for an investigation as to the cost of additions contemplated in the original plans being north and south wings as in the national capitol. It sets forth that the judiciary, State librarian, Attorney General and Superintendent of Public Instruction have been crowded out of the building and the libraries are in great danger of destruction by fire.

Graham's resolution in regard to the election of United States Senators by the people appeals to Congress to call forth with a constitutional convention for the amendment of the federal constitution for the election of Senators by the direct vote of people.

Both resolutions are now in the hands of committees.

DELIGHTFUL VALENTINE PARTY.

N. N. S. Society Charmingly Entertained Members and Friends Last Evening.

The "heart party" last night at the hospitable home of Capt. Edgar D. Williams, Sixth and Ann streets, by the N. N. S. Society of Fifth Street M. E. Church was a most charming affair indeed and about $35 was realized for the benefit for which it was given. The success of the party was a great credit to Miss Mamie McGirt, the chairman, and other members of the arrangement committee, which prepared it.

The residence was beautifully decorated with red and pink hearts in keeping with the Valentine season and the guests were each presented with a beautiful souvenir in the design of a heart. There were numerous contests, appropriate to the season, Miss Bessie LeGwin having captured the prize in a novel Cupid contest in which the contestants fired darts from a bow and arrow at a large imitation heart suspended in the room. In another contest called a "Musical Romance" Mr. Willie Muse made the happy guess which won the prize.

A delightful programme of music, recitations, etc, was observed and refreshments were served.

POPULAR MABEL PAIGE.

Whole Week's Engagement in Wilmington Beginning Monday—Two Matinees

All play-goers are looking eagerly forward to the coming week's engagement of the Mabel Paige Company at the Academy for two reasons. It will mark the return of a decidedly popular and able company, and it will also afford Lenten observers an opportunity of crowding much pleasure into a week. The engagement will be inaugurated Monday night, and from all indications the "S. R. O." sign will have to be used. The Great Martynne will be on the boards also Monday night to delight all with his beautiful electrical dances.

So popular is Miss Paige with the ladies and children that it has been found necessary to arrange for the company to play two matinees while here. They will be given on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, and there will be "no rush," as tickets will be sold for each of these performances in advance at Plummer's. The admission will be as usual—10 and 20 cents.

Seats for the performance on Monday night will be on sale at Plummer's this morning.

State Secretary Coming.

State Secretary A. G. Knebel, of the Y. M. C. A., will be in the city next week in the interest of the Wilmington delegation to the State Convention, which will be held in Winston-Salem March 7th-10th.

BARQUE POWELL LOST

Foundered Off North Carolina Coast Monday After a Terrible Experience.

CUTTER BROUGHT CREW IN.

Mate Tells Story of Terrible Hardship and Gallant Conduct of Master of the Passing Schooner—Captain Wright Injured in Wreck.

On board the U. S. revenue cutter *Tuscarora*, Capt. David A. Hall, which arrived yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, were Capt. Donald Wright and shipwrecked crew of nine men from the American barquentine *E. S. Powell*, which foundered 200 miles east northeast of Hatteras on Monday, going down with a full cargo of cement consigned by parties in New York to Savannah, Ga.

The crew of the *Powell* were taken by the *Tuscarora* from the schooner *Edgar W. Murdoch*, Capt. Magune, Brunswick, Ga., to New York, yesterday morning at 11:30 o'clock, off Frying Pan lightship. The *Murdoch* set signals saying that she had a shipwrecked crew on board and asked if the cutter would take them. Having answered in the affirmative, the *Tuscarora* steamed up and sent an officer and boat crew to the schooner, which brought the shipwrecked men to the cutter and they arrived yesterday as stated. The rescued men are Capt. Donald Wright, First Mate W. R. Weichart, Second Mate Eugene Miller, Steward Joseph Healy, Seamen Martin Jensen, Adolf V. Laine, A. Johnson, Simon Anderson, Fronz Berggren and Cabin Boy Wallace Robinson.

The barquentine sailed from New York to Savannah Feb. 3. Rough weather was encountered and for 24 hours ending at 3 A. M. last Monday a strong westerly gale was too much for the craft. She began to leak rapidly; her seams opened and she began to settle. The schooner *Murdoch*, a powerful sailing craft of 1,215 tons, hove in sight and being signalled she stood by the distressed vessel for seven hours. Finally when it was seen that their vessel was doomed Capt. Wright launched a boat and transferred his crew to the schooner. Two trips were made and the second yawl capsized along side the schooner, dislocating Capt. Wright's shoulder in being jammed against the larger boat. Capt. Wright upon his arrival communicated with his owners and went to the Marine Hospital for treatment of his shoulder and other bruises received at the last moment. He is very grateful to Capt. Hall and Executive Officer Jacobs, of the *Tuscarora*, for the many courtesies shown him.

First Mate Weichert, of the *Powell*, gives an interesting account of the terrible experience of the ship's crew. The first day out from New York a gentle northwester gave promise of a delightful voyage. The second day southerly winds took them off shore, but before night a northwester again set in and with shortened sails they came down at a lively clip. Toward evening, however, a gale set in. The pumps had been carefully tried ever four hours twice, but as in the morning watch, after an hour's pumping, the pumps still gave water, Mate Weichert sounded only to find three feet of water in the after hold. Capt. Wright was notified and ordered the ports to be inspected. The mate was dumbfounded to find the water above the keelson in the forward hold, one tier of cement being under water. The ports were all right, but her stem had given way and the water was rushing in two streams from the bows. Going well before the wind, under these circumstances, the vessel was hove to and all hands went to the pumps where they remained all night. Towards midnight the foreriggning was carried away and the ship was put about to save spars. The men battled for an hour in water to their waist and succeeded in securing the mast, but an hour from the pumps sadly told. Morning brought an increase in the gale and all gave up. Mountain seas fell on board, loosening hatch combings, bursting mast covers and water began to stream through the deck everywhere. The mate and men began to beg the captain to leave the ship at the first opportunity, as she was drifting out of the paths of vessels. The ship continued to fill; the pumps got fouled by the cement. About 10 A. M. a steamship hove in sight, flying yellow and white stripes, but although she came in full view, she paid no attention to distress signals and passed on. The morning of the 6th the wind fell to a dead calm and the poor men at the pumps had decreased the depth of water in the hold a little. Toward evening the wind shifted to the eastward and the crew tried to reach Hampton Roads, but all night until the 7th the vessel dragged herself along in a pitiful manner. The swollen feet of the men, their bruised arms and the continued strain began to tell on them. Sunday the wind shifted to the northwest, leaving the vessel about 80 miles east of Cape Henry and another gale approaching. All the cabin and forecastle was flooded. Not a stitch of dry clothing with the intense cold did a man have. On Monday morning when "hope deferred had made the heart sick," the schooner *Murdoch* hove in sight and answered her signals of distress. She stood nobly by the distressed craft and at daylight the *Powell's* signals told her they were sinking. A gale was blowing and the seas were breaking over the vessel. The ship's yawl was small and two trips were decided upon to transfer the crew. Mate Weichert took over the crew first and came bravely back with two men for the captain, second mate, steward and the ship's belongings. The first trip was successful. The second boat load was got alongside the schooner, but the wind had increased and although managed by a master hand, the *Murdoch* rolled over the yawl and capsized it. The gallant Capt. Magune was prepared for such an accident, however, and by ropes the crew of the schooner pulled the men on deck. Capt. Wright was caught between the yawl and schooner and received injuries, while all the ship's papers, log book, chronometer and all other belongings of the men were lost, some of them being without shoes and hats. Capt. Wright, Mate Weichert and every man on board desires to return thanks to Capt. Magune for his heroic rescue and kindness afterwards, knowing that without his gallant conduct they would have shared the fate of the barquentine *E. S. Powell*.

On yesterday Mate Weichert said Capt. Magune set signals to the steamer *City of Augusta* and although they saw her name plainly, she refused to answer the signals and passed on. Just then the *Tuscarora* hove in sight and the grateful captain and crew were taken on board.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Burke have returned from a visit to Raleigh.

— Messrs. A. David and E. E. David arrived yesterday from New York.

—Mr. J. J. Crosswell, the popular Southern Express route agent, arrived last evening.

— Mrs. S. P. Collier has gone to Baltimore on account of the illness of her son-in-law, Dr. Thos. A. Council.

— Mr. W. A. Rourk went to Little River, S. C., on the steamer *Sanders*, which cleared for her initial trip yesterday.

— The STAR acknowledges pleasant visits yesterday from Mr. N. Sidbury, of Scott's Hill, and Mr. W. R. Fountain, of Lanier, Onslow, county, N. C.

— Col. Walker Taylor, Maj. C. H. White, Maj. W. F. Robertson, Capt. A. P. Adrian, Lieut. H. M. Chase and Ensign E. K. Devaney returned yesterday morning from the State Guard conference at Raleigh. Lieut. Col. T. C. James went by Fayetteville.

The Minstrels Delayed.

The passenger train on the W., C. & A. was delayed several hours at Whiteville yesterday on account of the trucks of a freight car jumping the track and blocking the road. The Georgia Minstrels were in their special car attached to the train, en route from Florence, and did not reach the city in time for the matinee advertised for yesterday afternoon. Messrs. Cowan Bros. displayed a telegram to that effect on the Academy doors as soon as the news of the delay was learned.

— A boy who can feed Job Presses is wanted at the STAR.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Masonic Temple.

There will be special Communication of Orient Lodge No. 395, A. F. and A. M., this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock for work in the Master's Degree.
Visiting brethren cordially invited.
By order of the W. M.
C. C. BROWN, Secretary.
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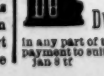

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EXECUTION SALE.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of New Hanover county, in the action of E. K. Bryan, against Chas. O'Donnell Lee, Chas. Morion Stewart and Redmon Coningham Stewart, I will on Monday the 23rd day of March, 1903, at 12 o'clock M., at the Court House door of the said county, sell to the highest bidder for cash, to satisfy said execution, all the right, title and interest which the said Chas. O'Donnell Lee, Chas. Morion Stewart and Redmon Coningham Stewart, defendants, have in the following described Real Estate, to-wit: A certain tract of land situated, lying and being in the county of New Hanover, State of North Carolina: Beginning at an iron post in the northern line of the right of way of the Wilmington & Weldon and the Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta and the Wilmington, Charlotte & Rutherf'd, now the Carolina Central Railroad, on said right of way as described in a deed from G. W. Graffin to said railroads, dated October 2, 1872, and recorded in the Register's office of New Hanover county in book G. O. C., page (2). Said iron post standing at the southwest corner of a tract of land conveyed by the Feregoy Lumber Co. to the Carolina Central Railroad Company by deed dated 13th day of March, 1899, and recorded in the Register's office of New Hanover county in Book No. 13, page 547, and running from said iron post north thirty degrees forty-five minutes east to Smith's Creek, thence in a generally northwardly direction with the various courses of said creek to the junction of said creek with the northeast branch of the Cape Fear river, thence southwardly with the various courses of said river along its eastern bank to the point where the northern line of the aforesaid right of way touches the said river, thence eastwardly along the said northern line of said right of way to the beginning.
FRANK H. STEDMAN, Sheriff.
feb 13 4w fr

NORTH CAROLINA, } Superior Court.
NEW HANOVER COUNTY.
Addie Taylor
vs.
William Taylor.

This is an action brought by the plaintiff in the above entitled cause against the defendant above named for divorce on the grounds of abandonment. It being made to appear that the defendant William Taylor is a non resident of the State of North Carolina and cannot after due diligence be found in this State. These are therefore to notify the said defendant to appear at the next term of the Superior Court to be held for the county of New Hanover on the fifth Monday after the first Monday in March A. D. 1903, then and there to answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff herein filed or judgment will be granted according to the prayer of the complaint.
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this the 13th day of February A. D. 1903. JNO. D. TAYLOR, Clerk Superior Court.
H. McClammy, Plaintiff's Attorney.
feb 13 6w fr

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MABEL PAIGE

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New Plays, New Specialties
Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.
Seats now on sale at Plummer's.
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Bids Wanted

To operate the City Quary and furnish the City with 3,000 tons Crushed Rock. Bids will be opened at the City Hall on Tuesday, February 24th, at 12 o'clock (noon). Specifications will be furnished on application to
E. F. JOHNSON,
Chairman Streets and Wharves Committee.
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To furnish the City with 200 Shade Trees. Bids will be opened at 12 o'clock (noon), on Tuesday, February 24th. Specifications will be furnished on application to
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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13.

OPPOSED TO ROOSEVELT.

Yesterday we made some reference to the anti-Roosevelt feeling among the "Lily White" Republicans of the South. This feeling is not confined to that faction, but is shared by leading Republicans who are not identified with that movement. They resent his assumption of control of the party in the South and his stirring up the race question which reacts upon the party and makes it more than ever unpopular. In speaking of this we remarked that the anti-Roosevelt element in the South was receiving encouragement from the anti-Republican politicians on the other side of the line, and also, no doubt, from men who are not politicians in the sense of following politics as a specialty, although as a matter of business they keep an eye on politics and on politicians, and the policies that may affect them. This is the element that Roosevelt will find the most dangerous, because while it does not talk much, it makes its money talk, and it acts.

As far as the machine politicians are concerned Roosevelt never was a favorite, for he had the reputation of being too much of a reformer for them, of having certain notions that he was a stickler for, and of being intractable when he set his head upon any particular thing. That isn't the kind of a character which suits the machine men, who think it is their prerogative to run not only the machine but the President it puts in office, while on the other hand Roosevelt thinks it is his prerogative to run the machine and the machine men, too. That's what he, through his chosen agents, has been undertaking to do with the party machine managers in the South.

He is a less a favorite with them now, perhaps, than he ever was. Of course as the ostensible head of the party they will outwardly at least stand by him as a matter of expediency and party policy, but this will not prevent those of them who feel that way disposed from working against him and for some one else whom they prefer to him. And that is just what some of them are doing.

The Baltimore *Sun* a few days ago published an interesting letter from its Washington correspondent on the movement against Roosevelt, and the elements behind it. We clip enough of the letter to show what Roosevelt has to cope with, and what his opponents are working for. The writer says:

The assertion is made, however, with a positiveness which guarantees sincerity, even if mistaken, that the President has yielded much less than was demanded by the representatives of the trusts, and that, having yielded some things which he was convinced he could not force through, he assumed a more aggressive attitude and in return applied force to the opposition in a way to compel them to at least make a pretense of yielding a little. The President's final stand was taken after having yielded so far as to accept the Elkins rebate bill, the Nelson publicity amendment to the Department of Commerce bill and the bill to expedite the prosecutions of trusts in the courts. Even this little was objected to on the ground that it would enable Mr. Knox, the Attorney General, who, they said, had evinced a disposition to press matters too far, to subject corporations to great annoyance and inconvenience, even if it did not give power to do more. They proposed, therefore, to emasculate by amendment even those mild measures, and it developed to the conviction of the friends of the Administration, that the real object of keeping the Statehood bill in the way of all legislation in the Senate was to enable the friends of the corporations to defeat the President's plans for trust legislation without disclosing their own position and submitting themselves to public criticism.

The story comes to me from a source entitled to the highest consideration, and it is said that the President's trusted friends are fully cognizant of the facts. J. Pierpont Morgan, Senator Mark A. Hanna and Senator W. Aldrich are mentioned as leaders in the movement, and several other very prominent heads of corporations and Republican Senators are referred to by name as being in co-operation with them.

It appears, according to the information that has come to me, that the contest between the President and several of the foremost Republicans in Congress over the trust question has been much more determined on both sides than the public has been aware of. It has been known by those well informed that a powerful element of the Republican party in Congress were determined when the session opened that there should be no anti-trust legislation which could be in any way effective in limiting or restricting the power of the great corporations of the country, and that the President has excited a certain degree of hostility by his course in attracting attention to the trust question in his early speeches and communications from himself and his Attorney General to Congress. Much that has been going on between the Administration and Republicans in Congress has been kept under cover, and it has come to be commonly understood that the President was being overpowered by the strength of the opposition and that he had yielded sufficiently to render their opposition to his re-election inactive and therefore probably ineffectual.

The Trust people succeeded in making the proposed anti-trust measure much less drastic than at first proposed or than Roosevelt's idea of what such measures should be, with the hope of being able to block their passage in the Senate. It was a compromise to win Roosevelt and make him harmless, but it is rarely the case that compromises are entirely satisfactory to both sides, and this is probably the case in this instance. Both have yielded something and each thinks it has yielded too much.

The trust people may let up on Roosevelt now, but this dosen't mean that they are going to lose sight of him or that they are not going to get even with him if they can when the opportune time comes If they fail to defeat him for the nomination here is their programme, according to the *Sun* correspondent:

The accomplishment of this legislation will not, it is asserted, end the contest between the President and the element of his party standing by the corporations. The declaration is made on authority which could not be regarded as deficient in character that Republicans of commanding influence in the party and the widest reputation throughout the country, acting in sympathy with J. Pierpont Morgan, have determined that Mr. Roosevelt shall not be elected to the Presidency if they can help it. The men named in this connection, both in and out of Congress, have been most powerful in the past in controlling elections and legislation. They are represented as being not confident of their ability to prevent Mr. Roosevelt's nomination, though they have not abandoned effort in that direction. They are, however, to defeat him if nominated, and the bold declaration is made that they are now engaged in manipulations to secure the nomination of a man of no political record as the candidate of the Democratic party, with a view to his election, if by their aid it can be brought about.

It is declared that they have a perfect understanding of the attitude of the man whom they have selected, and that they will be content to have him nominated on a radical anti-trust platform and to have his campaign made on extreme anti-trust lines, with the certainty on their own part that if elected he will find an excuse in the political difference between the Senate and his administration for the failure to carry out the anti-trust pledges of the party platform. The further details of this alleged plan contemplate the probability that after failing to carry out the anti trust pledges made before election the Democratic party could not retain power for more than one term, and that the result of the one term would be to destroy both "the party of trust busters" and the Roosevelt "trust-busting" element of the Republican party.

Several irons in the fire; Hanna or Fairbanks or some other Republican in accord with them to defeat Roosevelt for the nomination and if that fails beat him with a Democrat even on an anti-trust platform. With a Democratic President and a Republican Congress they would be safe, for a Republican Congress would hardly pass any anti-trust measures recommended by a Democratic President. The fact is that while the Trust managers are as a rule Republicans they haven't any politics that conflicts with their business.

THAT WIFE'S GARB CANARD.

The canard about the "disguise" that Jefferson Davis wore when he was captured has been frequently exploded, but we hear it repeated sometimes even at this late day. The latest clincher comes from John Camm, an ex-Union soldier, now living in Louisiana, who was one of the detail sent out to pursue and capture Mr. Davis. He had already received part of the reward paid for the capture, but as there is still in the treasury an unexpended balance of $1,503, he thinks he is entitled to that. In preparing his war record in connection with his claim, he gives the following account of the capture:

"It was, according to the best of my recollection, about May 7, 1865, when Joseph A O. Yeoman, captain of the First Ohio Cavalry, myself and 28 Union soldiers of the Fourth Michigan Cavalry, were detailed to get information about, and, if possible, arrest Jefferson Davis and those who were with him, who, we learned, were somewhere not far distant. We were then in Macon, Ga.

"We located Mr. Davis' camp on the morning of May 10. It was about 4 o'clock, but there were several persons up, and Mr. Davis himself was just preparing to go to a spring near by and get a bucket of water. He had on a heavy rain coat, as it was threatening weather, and the coat was thrown over his head. I suppose that this accounts for the report that he tried to escape in his wife's clothes.

"His wife was with him at the time, but it was man's clothes which he wore. Mr. Davis quietly submitted to the arrest, as did the whole party, and we returned with them to Gen. Wilson's headquarters."

It takes a long time to run a lie down after it has had a good start, and many hustlers to help it along. The "disguise" lie got a good one and thousands of hustlers printed it, circulated it and kept it moving, and possibly there may be some unsophisticated people who have never seen a contradiction and believe it yet.

Heretofore negro sharpers have made money by duping credulous negroes out of cash to boost the ex-slave pension scheme. As far as known they have raked in in this way between $250,000 and $300,000. Since the introduction of that bill by Senator Hanna they are working it again. One was arrested in Mobile a few days ago who said in explanation that he wasn't working on his own account but as an "agent" for others. That's the kind of a gent he is.

The Crown Princess of Saxony has shipped her Giron from Geneva to his people in Brussels. She did this in order that she might be permitted to return and see her children, one of whom is seriously ill. The C. P. is a bad egg, or she would never have deserted her children as she did.

Anthracite coal has dropped in New York to $6.50 a ton, retail. So much for opening the way for foreign coal.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

A Quart Baby.

Now and again there is an item in the newspapers concerning the birth of a puny baby so small that a quart cup holds it comfortably. If the article told all the facts it would probably tell also of a mother who in weakness and misery had looked forward to the baby's advent with shrinking and fear.

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AN UNGROUNDED APPREHENSION.

The Philadelphia *Ledger* is afraid that it would not be a good thing for the negroes of the South to divide their votes between the Republican and Democratic parties instead of voting practically solid with the Republican party as they have been doing. It fears that this would lead to a bidding for their votes by the leaders and candidates of both parties which would have a demoralizing effect on the negroes.

The *Ledger* sees the negro voter from long range. If it got close enough to observe a campaign and an election in this part of the country when the negroes had full swing at the ballot box and see how they were loaded with forty-rod fire water, and marshalled by white men who morally were not many degrees above the negroes they led, it might dismiss its fears about "demoralizing" them. There isn't anything of that kind to be done.

The danger in this would be, if there were any danger, that it would have a more demoralizing effect on the candidates for office than it would have on the negroes, for heretofore Democratic candidates gave little thought to the negro voters, made few appeals to them or efforts to get their votes, and consequently neither pandered to or made compacts with them. They left all that kind of dirty work to the Republicans, who were familiar with it.

But with the elimination of the negro mob by qualified suffrage there would be less danger of the evil consequences the *Ledger* fears, because the qualified negroes, many if not most of whom would be property holders, and therefore more interested in good government, would be more disposed to think for themselves and cast their votes intelligently. That was the view that was taken of it by the advocates of qualified suffrage. Possibly the bulk of these qualified negroes may continue to vote the national Republican tickets as they have been doing, and as many white Republicans from the North do who have settled in the South, while in State and local elections they may vote some other ticket.

A prominent Republican Senator is quoted as saying recently that he was amazed at the growth of the anti-negro sentiment in the North and couldn't account for it. This Senator must be a man of very dull comprehension. The Northern people are getting sick of having the negro made an issue in politics, and having him thrust at them at every election. And in addition to that they have had some education on the negro by which they have profited.

We are not particularly interested in the case of Mr. Smoot, U. S. Senator elect from Idaho, but if they can keep him out because of his relations with the Mormon church, why not apply the same to members of the House of Representatives and then where does religious freedom come in? But Smoot is both a Republican and a millionaire, two potent reasons with Republicans for letting him in.

The United States Government supports eight soldiers' homes, with inmates in each of between 2,000 and 3,000, the aggregate number being 27,000. They average over 63 years of age, and are cared for at an expense of something over $12,000,000 a year.

Mysterious Circumstance.

One was pale and sallow and the other fresh and rosy. Whence the difference? She who is blushing with health uses Dr. King's New Life Pills to maintain it. By gently arousing the lazy organs they compel good digestion and head off constipation. Try them. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY's drug store. †

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Mr. B. C. Gorman received a telegram Wednesday announcing the death at Littleton, N. C., of Mr. Frank Willis, son of Rev. R. A. Willis, former pastor of Hay Street Methodist church. —— Fire at the plant of the Australia Manufacturing Co., in 71st, Monday morning, caused a loss of $2,000, the distilling apparatus being destroyed.

— Goldsboro *Headlight*: The present prevailing low prices in tobacco will cause the acreage to be considerably reduced throughout this section the current year, while the cotton acreage will be appreciably increased. Several tobacco planters in this county who refused 30 cents a pound for the weed last Fall, now are compelled to sell it for 8 cents or may have to take less later on. That's what the combine did for high prices, of which we all were boasting less than three months ago.

— Charlotte *Observer*: In the Spring there will be built a $250,000 addition to the Chadwick mill, which is located two miles west of this city. This mill has been in operation only a year and has had wonderful success. It makes only fine sheetings and in the addition to the mill fine goods, also, will be manufactured. The Chadwick mill was built at a cost of $300,000. The improvements will make it more than a half million dollar plant and one of the best in the country.

—Chatham *Record*: Alex. Haith, a very respectable old colored man, living in Alamance county, near the Chatham line, was found dead at his home on last Sunday morning, his head being split open, presumably with an axe. The murdered man was about 70 years old and lived alone. He was known to have kept some $300 or or $400 in money in his house, for which, it is thought, he was murdered. There is no clue as to who the murderer is.

— Morehead *Coaster*: We learn that John Arrington, a drummer, and brother to Register of Deeds W. L. Arrington and Ben Arrington, of Beaufort, was shot and killed by a man named Smith, at a hotel in Thurman, W. Va. The two were seated at supper table, disputing; both men arose, when Arrington knocked Smith down; then Smith drew a revolver and fired, the ball entering left side near the heart.

— Duplin *Journal*: The tobacco growers are the busiest farmers we have this season. They are planting beds and preparing to build more barns for the coming crops. The acreage in Duplin and adjoining counties this year will exceed 1902 by 75 per cent. While the tobacco crop last year paid well throughout the State, yet, there are very good reasons why the crop this year will not pay so well. The union of the two great tobacco companies is certainly the best evidence that the price will be much lower. And a tremendous crop on the other hand is very plausible excuse too.

Greensboro *Telegram*: The Altamahaw Cotton Mill, six miles from Elon College, and owned by Holt, Gant, and Holt, was partially destroyed by fire Wednesday. According to the news which reached this city the dye house and boiler room were destroyed and the fire was checked in the spinning room. This is one of the largest mills in Alamance county. —— The Southern Import and Commission Company was yesterday afternoon thrown into the hands of a receiver, Judge Allen naming the Greensboro Loan and Trust Company as receiver. The company was organized in 1900. It has done quite a large business in handling wholesale carpets, rugs, matting, etc. Not long very ago it established a plant for the manufacture of window shades.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— The Southern States Lumber Company is replacing the forests it ships with fine cattle to be shipped—it lets in the sunlight to make the grass grow, and then puts in the cattle to eat the grass.—*Jacksonville Times Union, Dem.*

—— A contemporary has figured out that a baseball pitcher who has just entered into a contract for the season will get $1.85 for every ball he pitches. This is more than some school teachers in this State get in a week.—*Philadelphia Press, Rep.*

—— The South has at last found a proposition upon which it can agree with a Republican Administration. Secretary Root's assertion that negro suffrage is a failure hasn't encountered a single denial South of Mason and Dixon's line.—*Washington Times, Ind.*

—— Mr. Morgan and Mr. Rockefeller's eminent hired lawyers have decided that all trust legislation with "starch in it" would be "unconstitutional!" Fortunately, Mr. Stetson and his associates are not above the supreme court; nor will they be called to write that eminent tribunal's decrees. Their opinions have such "binding force," as is given them by the fat fees, paid them out of trust revenues and no more.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

—— The white people at Indianola, Miss., get their mail all right, as they are able to send to a neighboring village for ir and have it delivered in about thirty minutes later than when they were deprived of their postoffice. The ones that suffer most are the poor negroes, who are unable to pay for the extraordinary service. This is the usual result of all such blanket efforts to punish an entire community for the faults of a few of its members.—*Washington Post, Dem.*

— If you get mad at a man, make up your mind what you're going to say, and then don't say it—*Baltimore News.*

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Haggins, of Melbourne, Fla., writes, "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery, and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free. †

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Won't you please come in and see us? We are always glad to extol the merits of Vinol.

We will give you back your money if you don't find Vinol will do all we claim it will. Could any one do more for you?

ROBT. R. BELLAMY.

TWINKLINGS.

— She—I suppose it is a genuine antique?" The Dealer—Why, of course it is, madam! And, besides, it is the very latest thing in antiques!"—*Puck.*

— Mrs. Bacon—"What is sea food, John?" Mr. Bacon—"Why, sea food, my dear, is the kind that makes people sick when on the sea."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Mistress—What in the world are you putting ashes on the floor for, Bridget? Bridget—Shure, Ma'am, an' didn't yez say to doost the parlor?—*Town and Country.*

— Myer—"Meeker's wife buys all his ties for him. What do you think of her taste?" Gyer—"Not much; but I admire Meeker's nerve in wearing them."—*Chicago News*

— "What is more welcome than a full moon?" whisperd the poetic young man. "Why, a full coal scuttle," replied the practical girl, and then he said no more.—*Chicago News.*

— Mrs. Bacon—"They say the flounder is an industrious fish, and lays 7,000,000 eggs in a year." Mr. Bacon—"Yes, and, you might add, doesn't cackle about it."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— Supposing you woke up some day and found yourself a millionaire —what'd you do? Go right to sleep again so that the knocking of the Tax Assessors on the door wouldn't annoy me!—*Baltimore Herald.*

— "What pay do you get for being an alderman?" asked the visiting relative. "The city allows me $1,500 a year," replied the alderman from the 'Steenth Ward, guardedly.—*Chicago Daily News.*

— Tess—Now, here's a secret. I was married last week to Dick Gaylark. Jess—Oh my! I thought you'd be the last person in the world to marry him—Tess—Well, I hope I am.—*Philadelphia Press.*

—"One never knows what life is," said the Billville citizen, "till he gits away from home, in a big city. That's Bill, fer instance; he's only been in New York two weeks, an' he's had the appendicitis twice!"—*Atlanta Constitution.*

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15. Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th 1903.

Birds Made a Sieve.

In the mountains of Tennessee a stranger came upon a man who was shoveling coal upon a wooden sieve. Upon inquiry how on earth he got such a curious thing the old man replied:

"Stranger, I don't think you'll b'leeve me if I tell you."

"Oh, yes, certainly," said the man; "I will believe you."

"Waal," said the mountaineer, "it war this way: About five years ago I lived down on the side of the mountain whar woodpeckers and other kind o' birds is powerful thick. That 'ar thing" —pointing to the sieve—"war my door to my cabin. It 'ud mock any bird that flies. I'd jest sit thar some summer evenin' and jest move it, and every bird came that war imitated.

"Howsumever, one day I left my cabin to go huntin' and went preamblin' down the mountain. Waal, some wind come along and made that 'ar door imitate a woodpecker. First one come and then a whole pile o' the critters. They lit in on the door, and when I come it war jest like you see it."

The man thanked him and moved on.

"I declar'," said the mountaineer, "I don't b'leeve he thought I war tellin' the truth." And he resumed shoveling coal.—New York Herald.

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THE WINTER'S FURS.

Siberian Squirrel Very Popular—New Capes and Coats.

Poor little squirrels! Lovely woman has suddenly decided that she wants your pretty skins for her own adornment, and therefore you must try to be philosophical and think yourselves lucky, like the kid who gave up his life for Lockyer's Geraldine that she might have dainty boots. Cloaks for automobiling and for all sorts of other uses are to be made entirely of the soft gray skins of the Siberian squirrel. The fur of squirrels has always been used, to a certain extent for children's wear and for linings to other furs, but never before has this particular fur been employed for the whole outside of a long or short coat. The Siberian is the only kind exactly suitable for this purpose, as the skins all seem to have precisely the same markings and tint. The center of the back is slightly shaded with black, and at the end of each there is a shade darker, so that the line of demarcation is very distinct. This gives the garment the appearance of being made in layers or flounces. Full sets, consisting of a three-quarter coat, with full sleeves, high storm collar and wide revers, cap and muff, are shown.

Chinchilla is still considered very desirable, especially for revers and collars and also for the pretty neck pieces. I saw one stole made of picked skins, so that down the center there was a line of irregularly shaped diamonds produced by the dark shade of the fur. Chinchilla is the most easily injured of all furs, and to have rain or snow fall on it is to have it virtually ruined.

Seal, like sable, is always in fashion; but, unfortunately for those who love this rich and beautiful fur, it has grown very costly during the last few years, so that now a seal garment with a border of pointed and dyed beaver is one of the most expensive garments, aside from Russian crown sable. Seal is made most often in cape form. Squirrel coats, with facings and collar of ermine, are smart and much affected. The revers are immense, and the storm collar is quite as high as it was last year.

Nearly all the coats, jackets and even blouses are made with deep shoulders and wide sleeves, generally finished in bishop shape. The long, sloping shoulder is like the ungainly form of the coat wraps this season. They may be stylish, but they are certainly not pretty.

One baby lamb blouse jacket of white—which really means cream colored—is brought in at the waist without any perceptible belt, but it is pointed at the front. The sleeves are open, but not what one might call flowing, and at the neck there is a turndown collar of glossy black bear fur. The effect of this garment is very striking and beautiful.

The stylish blouse coat illustrated here shows a short basque below the

THE PERSIAN BLOUSE AND AUTOMOBILE COAT.

belt, full bishop sleeves, a high collar and with medium sized revers. So many turbans and hat trimmings are made of fur that it is impossible to enumerate them. But some of the soft, woolly beaver hats with a small shaded brown animal curled around the top are simply beautiful, and this in spite of the fact that we would scarcely expect to find such an animal asleep on the tops of our hats.

In one place I found a superb dark blue velvet dress made with a blouse of the same, with a short basque below the belt. There was a wide sailor collar of ivory satin of the richest quality, and this was bound with a roll of mink, and around the sleeves at the elbows and wrists went other bands of the same fur. The skirt had a deep and full shaped flounce, beaded with two rolls of mink fur all around. A fancy muff with a double ruffle at each end and a bow of ribbon in the middle completed the whole save the hat, which was of dark blue beaver and trimmed with a band of the fur, through and around which was intwined a piece of fine lace, and this and one tall hung slightly in the back.

Bands of fur, generally mink or something on that order, are set around the lower portion of the skirts about six inches from the bottom. When this is done, it is to be expected that the rest of the costume will be similarly trimmed.

After all, if the animals could know how very desirable women find their furs and how pretty they make the women look they might find some consolation in the loss of their skins.

HENRIETTE ROUSSEAU.

A Question of Color.

Benjamin Constant when painting the portrait of Queen Victoria made the grand ribbon of the Garter, which was part of his illustrious sitter's costume, a certain tone of blue. The queen criticised this part of the picture, but Constant stuck to his color. One day he received from Windsor a little parcel containing the order of the Garter. The queen, fully convinced that she was right, had sent him the ribbon to prove his color sense was wrong. She did not confer the Garter upon him, however.

Enough to Settle It.

A wag after having witnessed an unusually villainous performance of "Hamlet" remarked: "Now is the time to settle the Shakespeare-Bacon controversy. Let the graves of both be dug up and see which of the two turned over."

It Went Off.

Mrs. C.—I wonder where in the world the alarm clock has gone? I saw it on the table yesterday.

Mr. C.—It was there yesterday, but I heard it going off this morning.

Aim to Rise.

Every man ought to aim at eminence not by pulling others down, but by raising himself, and enjoy the pleasure of his own superiority, whether imaginary or real, without interrupting others in the same felicity.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.]

STAR OFFICE, February 13.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 65c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel for strained and $1.85 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.65 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.40 per barrel for hard, $4.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at $1.12½@1.17½; tar firm at $1.20; crude turpentine firm at $1.35 @2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	21
Rosin	401
Tar	255
Crude turpentine	96

Receipts same day last year—17 casks spirits turpentine, 268 barrels rosin, 459 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¾	cts. ♥ lb
Good ordinary	8¼	" "
Low middling	8¾	" "
Middling	9¼	" "
Good middling	10	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 8⅛c for middling.

Receipts—799 bales; same day last year, 816.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm, Prime, 65c; extra prime, 70c; fancy, 75c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 12½c.

EGGS—Dull at 15c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c, for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25⅝; do. prefer red, unchanged; bonds, fours, 83¾ Atlantic Coast Line, common, 134, do. preferred, 136.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 12.—Spirits turpentine firm at 64½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks; A, B, C, D, E and F, $1 85; G, $1 95; H, $2 30; I, $2 75; K, $3 15; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W $4 20.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 12.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 65c; receipts 144 casks; sales 111 casks; exports 71 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 2,436 barrels; sales 2,690 barrels; exports 1,800 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, $1 90; F, $1 90; G, $2 00; H, $2 35; I, $2 80; K $3 20; M, $3 40; N, $3 60; W G, $3 85; W W, $4 25.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Cotton—Holiday; net receipts 50 bales; gross receipts 3 297 bales; stock 153,003 bales

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 38,538 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,700 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 18,849 bales; stock 959,936 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 160,136 bales; exports to Great Britain 36,553 bales; exports to France 22,966 bales; exports to the Continent 59,231 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,211,475 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,936,278 bales; exports to France 592,685 bales; exports to the Continent 2,085,921 bales

Feb. 12.—Galveston, steady at 9⅜c, net receipts 9,728 bales; Norfolk; steady at 9⅜c, net receipts 1,637 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9⅜c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9.50c, net receipts 507 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 799 bales; Philadelphia, holiday, net receipts — bales; Savannah, quiet at 9c, net receipts 3,867 bales; New Orleans, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 4,643 bales; Mobile, firm at 9c, net receipts 1,413 bales; Memphis, firm at 9¼c, net receipts 1,87 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅜c, net receipts 358 bales; Charleston, firm at 9⅛c, net receipts 44 bales.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices firm; American middling 5d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,400 bales American. Receipts 13,100 bales, all American.

Futures opened quiet and closed firm; American middling (g o c) February 4.92d; February and March 4.92d; March and April 4.92d; April and May 4.93@4.94d; May and June 4.95d; June and July 4.95@4.96d; July and August 4.95d; August and September 4.85d; September and October 4.58@4.59d; October and November 4.47@4.48d.

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List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., February 13.

STEAMSHIPS.

Muriel, (Br) 1,565 tons, Freeman, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Savan, (Br) 1,668 tons, Hunter, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Emily F Northam, 315 tons, Adams, to master.

Bayard Hopkins, 212 tons, Eskridge, to master.

Chas H Wolston, 287 tons, Hinckley, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Helen G Mosely, 502 tons, Gray, Cape Fear Lumber Co.

Albert T Stearnes, 483 tons, Bunker, to master.

Lillian Woodruff, 288 tons, Kneeland, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

Oscar, (Nor) 720 tons, Schrader, Heide & Co.

Freidig, (Nor) 649 tons, Christopher-sen, Heide & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

C. C. Railroad—25 bales of cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 32 barrels tar, 14 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—440 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—282 bales cotton, 13 barrels rosin, 153 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—43 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 124 barrels rosin, 41 barrels tar.

Schooner Maggie—98 barrels rosin.

Schooner Leah—2 casks spirits turpentine, 9 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar.

Autry's Raft—157 barrels rosin.

Minnie Ward 9 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 21 barrels tar, 75 barrels crude turpentine.

Total—799 bales cotton, 21 casks spirits turpentine, 401 barrels rosin, 255 barrels tar, 96 barrels crude turpentine

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RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$1,067,006 31
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		,07' 60
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		95,100 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits		173,800 00
Stocks, securities, etc		18,069 63
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		20,000 00
Other Real Estate owned		10,000 0[illegible]
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		100,259 33
Due from State Banks and Bankers		146,8[illegible] 47
Due from approved reserve agents		67,426 89
Notes of other National Banks	$6,500 00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	908 69	
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank viz:		
Specie	$40,52[illegible] 00	
Legal tender notes	3,38[illegible] 00	131,760 89
Redemption fund with U. S. Treas'r (5 per cent. of circulation)		4,700 00
Total		$1,84[illegible],596 92

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$125,000 00
Surplus fund	$125,000 00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	39,409 32	1[illegible]4,4[illegible]9 32
National Bank notes outstanding		95,100 00
Due to other National Banks	203,065 94	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	30[illegible],4[illegible]5 62	
Dividends unpaid	195 00	
Individual deposits subject to check	763,924 41	
Cashiers checks outstanding	19,437 23	
United States deposits	173,800 00	1,461,087 60
Total		$1,845,596 92

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, Andrew Moreland, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANDREW MORELAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of February, 1903.

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THE TALE OF A KITE

"Isn't she a bute?" asked Haller, holding a kite up for general inspection.

"A regular daisy!" assented the boys.

"How many does that make?" asked Diff, who sat over by the window reading.

"One apiece," answered Haller.

"It's not very big," said Diff critically.

"I don't know what you'd call it then," said Haller stiffly, holding it at arms' length.

"Well, you needn't get your back up," said Diff. "But this story"—Diff was reading "Copperfield"—"tells about a seven footer, and I'd like to make one that size."

"Gee, wouldn't she pull?" said Dock enthusiastically.

"Fellers, we can do it!" And Diff rose excitedly, as he did so kicking over the chair in which he'd had his feet. "Let's talk it over."

The upshot of their talk was that they made one 7 feet high to an inch and 5 feet 3 inches across. They had learned from Diff's grandfather that the width of a kite should be three-quarters its length. The sticks were of whitewood three-quarters of an inch square, nailed together with brads, and the outline was of wire. Over this wide expanse was stretched shiny scarlet paper muslin upon which were stitched three black initials, T. U. C.

The bellyband and tailband were made of stout crabbing line, and three whole balls of that same stout cord was wound upon a piece of broom handle about a foot and a half long. The tail itself was a thing of beauty. It was of white muslin about three inches wide, and Diff's sisters amused themselves one rainy morning by tying inch wide strips of red paper muslin at intervals down its entire length.

It was with mingled feelings of pride and delight that the boys carried it down from the clubroom where they had made the monster. It took four of them to carry it, with the ball of tail and the cord, and Buck came on behind with an extra piece of tail in case that already attached proved insufficient.

There was a good breeze blowing from the northwest, so Diff ordered them to go to the south end of the place, and left the kite in Buck's charge. He and the others then took the cord and, paying out about 100 feet of it, stood at a distance and ordered Buck to make ready.

Buck lifted the kite until it stood upright. Then Diff, throwing the broomstick on the ground so the cord could pay out as he needed it, took the line firmly in his hand and ran with it.

Buck let go, and, slowly and gracefully, like a huge scarlet bird, the kite rose and, till the tail cleared the ground, went up without a tremor.

Then first it was seen that more tail was needed, for it began to dart and dive in an alarming manner. Diff had been expecting this, so he stopped running and let the big kite carefully down.

"Tie on some more tail!" he shouted to Buck.

Buck went over to obey the command.

Diff's sisters and cousin were interested in the success of the kite, for they had spent a whole morning decorating the tail, and they were now standing a little distance away watching the flying. Helen's small dog Tatters was running about and with a truly comical air of curiosity came running up to the big kite as it fluttered to the ground and, barking at it as if it was a fallen enemy, began to worry the tail.

Now, Buck did not mean to be cruel, but he was always having ideas jump into his head, and he did not always stop to think what would be the consequence if he carried them out, and sometimes, as you know, the result was disastrous. That, however, did not seem to make him any more thoughtful or less ready to try whatever his mischievous fancy suggested to him; so when he saw Helen's little dog Tatters begin to worry the kite's tail in true doggy fashion a sudden thought struck him. Accordingly he stooped over the little creature, who was friendly with the boys, and fondled and spoke to it, while he tied the end of the kite's tail in a hard knot to that part of the fancy harnesslike collar that went over Tatters' small back.

At a call from Diff Buck stopped playing with the dog and, going over to the big kite, lifted it up with its base resting upon the ground and held it upright.

"All ready!" shouted Diff. He and Haller started on a run, Buck let go and the big kite rose majestically into the air. The tail was a long one, and it was a little while before Tatters was lifted from the ground. The wind was pretty strong, and his added weight was just sufficient to steady the kite. It rose higher and higher, and naughty Buck was chuckling inwardly at the success of his scheme.

"My, doesn't she pull!" said Diff as, breathless from their run, he and Haller stopped to rest and turned round to view their prize and pay out more line as it was needed. "Gee, what's that hanging to her tail?" exclaimed he as he caught sight of Tatters suspended like a shawl in a strap. "Looks like a bundle of rags. Wonder why Buck didn't tie on the right thing."

At that minute the little girls, whose attention had been riveted to the beautiful scarlet kite as it rose so superbly into the air, caught sight of Tatters, who, not at all disturbed by his novel adventure, was rapidly disappearing from view.

"Oh, my!" screamed Lillian. "Helen, Helen, there's Tatters!"

Helen gave one look at her disappearing pet and cried.

"Diff, Diff," shouted Lillian, "Tatters is tied to the kite's tail!" And they started on a run to where Diff and Haller stood.

When the boys realized what it was hanging to the kite's tail, they were both convulsed, but at the sight of Helen's tears Diff said soothingly between his laughter: "Don't cry. We'll pull her in, and you'll see Tatters 'll be all right."

But saying so and doing it were two different things. There was a pretty stiff breeze, and the big kite seemed bound to take advantage of it to get up into the sky and resented being brought back to earth. Their combined efforts, however, began to have some effect on it when the wind that had been blowing steadily from the northwest veered suddenly round to the west, and the kite struck a sudden gust, quivered a moment and then dove head first down into the linden tree just underneath. Luckily for Tatters, who else might have had his brains dashed out against the ground, the kite caught in the top branches, and in a moment Tatters was swinging like a pendulum from the end of one of the lower branches about ten feet from the ground.

The boys now threw the line upon the ground and ran with all speed to the tree.

"Here, Chunk," said Diff as his practiced eye took in the situation. "You're

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the lightest. Shin up that tree and crawl out on that branch and let it down until we can cut that dog loose."

And that is what happened. While the little girls looked on in interested silence and Helen dried her tears Chunk was boosted up into the tree, grasped the branch and went out toward the end hand over hand until his weight bore it down so that Haller, who was tallest, could reach Tatters. He grasped him, cut him loose and gave him over to his little mistress, who, hugging him close to her breast, ran away with him.

Then Diff, though his eyes twinkled, turned and said sternly to Buck, "How could you play such a cruel trick on my sister's dog?"

"I didn't think 'twould hurt him," answered the culprit.

"Well, it might have," answered Diff, turning on his heel.

So that is how a dog came to figure as hero in the tale of a kite.—Philadelphia Times.

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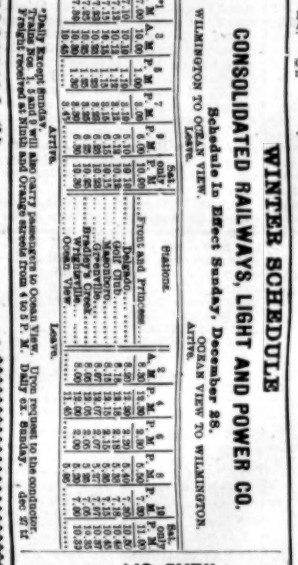

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Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11.20 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1.45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 59 p m	3.35 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7.54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.23 a m	9.10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.05 a m	11 35 a m
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Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	2.37 a m
Ar Washington	2.50 p m	3.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		8.00 a m
Ar Richmond	6 36 p m	8.30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 33 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	8 04 p m	11.20 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12 50 p m
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Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11 15 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 25 p m	3.00 a m	7.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville		9.00 a m	12 45 p m
Ar Tampa		7.00 p m	10.00 p m

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P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	.....	Goldsboro	11 06	.....
.....	4 33	Kinston	10 14	.....
5 40	5 55	Newbern	8 57	9 05
7 08	7 07	Morehead City	7 38	7 37
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

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FRIDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 13.

MORGAN DISCUSSES THE PANAMA CANAL TREATY.

Contends That the Convention With Colombia is Loosely Drawn and Should Be Practically Made Over.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—After the confirmation of a number of nominations and the refusal to open the Alaskan boundary question, the Senate in executive session to-day began consideration of the Panama canal treaty between the United States and the republic of Colombia. Senator Morgan immediately took the floor to oppose, unless amended. He had been speaking only a short time when the suggestion was made that there was not a quorum present. A roll call brought in the necessary number and the senator then resumed. He contended that the convention is loosely drawn and said that in order to properly safeguard the interests of the United States it should be practically made over.

Senator Morgan directed especial attention to the fact that there had been a failure to embody the act of Congress providing for the construction of the canal in the treaty, as was set forth in the preamble, and dwelt at length on what he termed the unreliability and revolutionary character of the government. He asserted that the price of ten million dollars in cash which the United States had agreed to pay to Colombia was exorbitant and more than was necessary in view of the former agreement to take $7,000,000. He also criticised the provision for a perpetual annual payment of $550,000 and declared that in all probability much of these payments would go into the pockets of private individuals. In this connection he declared that a recent chief executive of the Colombian government had sold out and abdicated for a million dollars. He repeated his declaration that the existing government has no power to enter into treaties, and asserted that the treaty with that government would not be binding. He declared that it would be folly to make the payment of $47,000,000, as was proposed by the treaty, depend on so unstable and unsubstantial an institution as the Colombian Congress, especially in view of the chronic insurrectionary condition of the people.

When an adjournment was suggested at half past five o'clock Senator Morgan said that he would be prepared to go on all night if required to do so, but Senator Cullom replied that he had no intention of making such exactions. On the contrary, he added, he was ready to close to-day's session at that time, but he was anxious to continue to-morrow. Senator Morgan was willing for this arrangement, but Senator Quay objected, saying that in the interest of the Statehood bill he could not at this time yield another day to consideration of the treaty.

Senator Morgan gave notice of thirty proposed amendments to the treaty.

THE COMPULSORY PILOTAGE FIGHT.

Bill Introduced Yesterday a Voluminous One—Regarded Very Drastic.

As will be seen by reference to the STAR'S Raleigh telegrams this morning, firing has begun on the skirmish line of the two strong factions that will next week engage in a relentless warfare over the abolishment and rearrangement of the compulsory pilotage laws in effect at this port. The pilots are already claiming that they have drawn "first blood" in the reference of the bill to the Judiciary Committee, instead of to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances as was proposed in the Senate where it was introduced yesterday. The hearing of both sides to the bill wil take place Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

Capt. J. J. Adkins and Mr. George Harriss are already on the scene for the pilots and the Chamber of Commerce committee, and other advocates, for the pilots will go up Sunday or Monday. The Chamber of Commerce has employed Iredell Meares, Esq., and Messrs. Rountree & Carr and other counsel will represent the Cape Fear pilots.

The bill introduced yesterday is a voluminous one of 12 typewritten pages and the pilots say it is a rearrangement of every law ever enacted upon the subject. It does away with compulsory pilotage on coastwise traffic altogether, they say, and reduces the fees on an average of 25 per cent. when vessels take a pilot of their own accord. They regard the measure as very drastic and say they will fight it to a bitter end.

Woman Stabbed Him.

In Justice Fowler's court yesterday Wellar LeGrande, one of the colored female denizens of Thompson's alley, in "Brooklyn," was given a preliminary hearing upon a charge of assault with a deadly weapon and sent to jail in default of $50 bond for her appearance at the March term of Superior Court. The woman is charged with having fearfully stabbed James MacRae, colored, in the upper part of the hip a week ago. MacRae has been laid up with the wound and was not able to appear at the trial until yesterday.

The decree of divorce granted to Crown Prince Frederick of Saxony, permits both parties to marry again. The crown prince applied merely for a separation of bed and board, but the former crown princess asked for an absolute divorce which the judges decided they could not refuse under the new civil code.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The probability is that the protocols for the raising of the blockade which has been maintained by England, Germany and Italy against Venezuela for more than a month will be signed by Minister Bowen and the representatives of the allied governments here to-morrow. Every indication points to that end to-night. Minister Bowen has had a busy day conferring with the English and Italian ambassadors and the German minister, regarding various features of the protocols, with the result that they are practically in final shape. The protocols will provide for the raising of the blockade at once, for a cash payment of 5,500 pounds sterling to each of the three allied governments and for the payment to Germany in five installments of $1,700,000 bolivars, less the 5,500 pounds paid in cash. The first installment of 1,700,000 bolivars or $340,000 is to be paid on the 15th of March.

Stirred Up Strife.

WASHINGTON, February 12.—Germany's repudiation of Count Quadi's action, who early in the negotiations signed with the other negotiators an agreement to the effect that the allies would waive cash payment provided a sufficient guarantee was offered by Mr. Bowen, has stirred up strife between the allies. Although the London government is not disposed to alter its protocol, which already has received Mr. Bowen's verbal approval, Italy is still considering whether she will consent to accept less than her ally.

Signor Mayor des Planches, the Italian ambassador, appeared at Mr Bowen's hotel with his entire staff this morning, prepared to put the finishing touches on his protocol and in order that this might be done with greater dispatch he engaged apartments at the hotel. Upon informing Mr. Bowen that the Italian convention would be ready for signature to-night, Venezuela's representative felt impelled to tell him that Germany had insisted on receiving all of the amount asked for in her ultimatum. The ambassador has cabled to Rome for further instructions.

Germany's Proposition.

At the urgent suggestion of Baron von Sternberg, the German government has agreed to waive its demand for a cash payment of $340,000 and has accepted the proposition of its minister that it receive this money from Venezuela in five monthly installments, the first installment to be paid two weeks after the signing of the protocol. This fact was communicated to Mr Bowen this morning and the German minister hopes to have his protocol ready for signature within the next twenty-four hours.

Italy is somewhat annoyed at Germany's demand for increased cash and the Italian ambassador cannot present his protocol for signature until the receipt of further instructions from his government.

THE KILLING OF GONZALES.

Chief Justice Pope Will Hear Application of J. H. Tillman for Bail Next Thursday—Tillman's Affidavit.

BY Telegraph to the Morning Star

COLUMBIA, Feb. 12.—Chief Justice Pope will hear the application of J. H. Tillman for bail next Thursday. The hearing was postponed from today because Tillman's attorneys failed to serve the prosecution with the affidavits which they intend to present to Justice Pope. The affidavits are by Colonel Tillman himself and by a friend of his, Richard Holtzenbach, of Edgefield, who says he was here applying for a job as door-keeper in the State House. His affidavit is to the effect that he heard Editor Gonzales inquire of door-keeper J. A. White, where his "boss" was; that he had made Tillman show the white feather several times and would do it again. He subsequently saw the meeting between Tillman and Gonzales and his version and that of Tillman as to this meeting is identical. J. A. White substantiates what Holtzenbach says as to the conversation except that he did not know it was Gonzales who was talking to him.

Tillman's affidavit says he had been abused and maligned by the editor of the *State*. He heard rumors that Mr. Gonzales had threatened him, and friends advised him to be on his guard. He was informed that Mr. Gonzales inquired for him at the State House, saying he would make him show the white feather.

On the day of the shooting he happened to be moving some of his effects, including two pistols from the State House to his rooms. He saw Mr. Gonzales coming, glaring at him; saw him run his hand deep in his overcoat pocket and turn toward him, and believing his life in danger, he hurriedly said, "I received your message," and fired.

ALASKAN TREATY.

Senate Refused to Reconsider Vote by Which It Was Ratified.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Immediately after the Senate went into executive session to day Senator Pettus moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate yesterday ratified the Alaskan boundary treaty. Senator Lodge moved to lay the motion on the table and the latter motion prevailed—38 to 25. The vote closely followed party lines, most of the affirmative votes being Republican and most of the negative votes Democratic. There was very little debate on the motion.

The Norwegian steamer Aggi, outward bound from Boston for Norfolk, collided with the schooner Prescott Palmer, at anchor in President Roads. The steamer struck the Palmer abreast of the mizzenmast on the starboard side and besides cutting a hole in her side above the water-line she carried away the mizzen starboard standing rigging. The Aggi had her bow slightly damaged but proceeded.

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COMMITTEE REPORT ON ELKINS' REBATE BILL.

Minority Members Say It Will Not Afford Much Relief, But the Little of Good It Contains the People Need.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The report of the Elkins rebate bill, ordered favorably reported by the House Committee on Interstate Commerce yesterday, was filed in the House to-day by Mr. Mann, of Illinois.

"In extensive hearings before your committee upon the general subject of proposed amendments to the Interstate Commerce law," the report recites, "it was strongly urged by the members of the Interstate Commerce Commission that the provision of existing law providing for punishment of the railroad itself prevented the enforcement of the law forbidding rebates and discriminations. The experience of the Interstate Commission has been that it is impossible to obtain proof of the granting of a rebate by the officers of a railroad to some favored shipper, unless the officer himself gives the evidence, in which case he is free from prosecution."

Continuing, the report says:

"The existing law prohibits rebates and discriminations, but does not prevent the cutting of the published rates unless discrimination is shown. In most cases it is practically impossible to show the discrimination. In the investigation made by the Interstate Commerce Commission respecting rates on dressed beef and packing house products from Kansas City and Chicago, it was finally discovered that for years the railroads have constantly and habitually disregarded their published tariffs and had carried such products at rates below the published rate and the difference amounted to millions of dollars a year; and it was the unanimous testimony that all the shippers who were interested in these rates got practically the same rate. There was, therefore, no discrimination between the shippers and no shipper was liable to prosecution for obtaining a rate which discriminated in his favor. But the effect of such a secret cutting of rates is to place in the hands of a small aggregation of shippers the absolute control of the business, because no person can afford to enter into competition who does not receive the cut rates, and no person is in a position to demand or receive such cut rates until after he shall have become established in business and have an extensive business behind him."

After reviewing the provisions of the bill the report says:

"The first and second provisions practically exhaust the power of legislation to prevent rebates and discriminations through criminal prosecutions. We conceive it to be the desire of Congress to absolutely prevent, if possible, the granting of discriminations in the way of railroad rates to favored shippers. This is, by many, claimed to be the greatest abuse of the day. But we all know that the officers of the railroads who grant rebates and the officers of the private corporations who solicit and accept them are men of high standing in their respective communities, and that it is a very difficult matter to obtain evidence sufficient to indict them, and still more difficult to obtain judges and juries who will convict them."

Minority Report.

The six minority members of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Representatives Shackelford, Davey, Adamson, Ryan, Davis, and Richardson of Alabama, also filed their views. After saying that they do not oppose the bill as reported, and that it will not afford much relief, they add that the little of good that it does contain the people should have. Continuing they say:

"The bill now reported is not nearly so far-reaching and remedial as the Littlefield bill, which a few days ago passed this House on a roll-call by a unanimous vote. In debate on the Littlefield bill it was freely predicted that it would never become a law, and it was openly charged that its passage in this House was merely for the sinister purpose of beguiling and deluding the people into the belief that the dominant party was willing to enact legislation limiting the evils of monopoly. Since the passage of the bill, the public press from day to day has teemed with uncontradicted announcements that the Littlefield bill is to be thrust aside, and the Elkins bill and the Nelson publicity amendment substituted therefor, and that no other or further anti-trust legislation is to be enacted. Such a course would be to jest with the country upon the most solemn question of the day, and to trifle with the most serious interests of the people. If the Littlefield bill was meritorious when it passed this House a few days ago it is meritorious now. It does not in any manner conflict with the provisions of the Elkins bill, now reported from this committee."

The minority proposes that the bill be amended by adding the principal features of the Littlefield bill.

ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION.

Senate Committee on Judiciary Continues Its Consideration of the Important Question.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The Senate Committee on Judiciary continued its consideration of the Trust question today and after holding two sessions adjourned until to-morrow. The committee was especially concerned today in an effort to so amend the Littlefield bill as not to make it burdensome to small corporations. It practically is the unanimous opinion of the committee that a bill should be enacted into law, but there is much difference as to the phraseology to be employed. There also is practical unanimity as to the desirability of making the proposed law to apply to corporations which are capable of becoming oppressive in their operation and are not extensive enough to require close supervision. The committee is finding difficulty in defining a line of demarcation, but the members express the belief that a way will be found out of the difficulty and that the bill will be so modified as not to make it onerus upon small concerns.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Town of Naujan Attacked by Ladrones. Repulsed by Constabulary.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Feb. 12.—A heavy body of ladrones attacked the town of Naujan, Island of Mindoro, yesterday. Constabulary repulsed them after a scattering fight which lasted several hours, during which one ladrone was killed and one was wounded. Twenty women and children living in the town were wounded. Inspector Crockett, with a large force of mounted constabulary, has swept through Northern Risaland and Southern Bulacan provinces, where ladrones have been operating, but he failed to find a trace of them.

MAINTENANCE OF THE WHITE HOUSE

Increase in Expenses Ascribed to the Large Amount of Entertaining by President.

LONG DEBATE IN THE HOUSE.

Gaines of Tennessee Did Not Believe the People Should Be Taxed for "These Endless Chain Entertainments." Cochran on Extravagance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The House made slow progress with the Sundry Civil bill to-day, covering only twenty-seven pages and leaving forty pages still to be disposed of. The delays today were occasioned by a rather protracted discussion of the item in the bill for the maintenance of the White House, and considerable debate upon the item appropriating $3,000,000 for the relief of distress in the Philippines Mr. Gaines, Democrat, Tennessee, and Mr. Fitzgerald, Democrat, New York, criticised the greatly increased cost of maintaining the White House. An amendment to cut in half the appropriation for the relief of distress in the Philippines was defeated, but the language of the paragraph was modified to require annual reports of the expenditure of the money.

When the item appropriating $60,000 for the care, repair and refurnishing of the executive mansions to be expended as the President might determine, was reached, Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, asked why this appropriation had been increased from $35,000.

Mr. Cannon replied by calling attention to the enlargement of the White House, and the construction of the new executive offices. These changes, he said, increased the expenses.

Mr. Gaines read from the report of Colonel Bingham, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, extracts ascribing the increase of the expenses at the White House to the large amount of "entertaining done by the President." Mr. Gaines said he did not believe the people should be taxed for these "endless chain entertainments." He said he was sorry that $600,000 had been spent to remodel the old White House.

Mr. Cannon, in reply, said he was glad the old White House had been overhauled, but he confessed that the new executive offices had disappointed him. "I think," he said, "we were entitled to a better building for the money."

Mr. Cannon recalled the fact that during Jackson's administration the landscape gardening of the White House grounds was a political issue. He mentioned this, he said, to show how the American people sometimes "ran amuck."

Mr. Fitzgerald, of New York, referred to a newspaper report that Col. Bingham's transfer had been due to his holding up certain vouchers in connection with the White House improvements and his opposition to the character of the improvements. He also criticised the language of the appropriation "for the care, repair and refurnishing," which he did not think actually described the purposes for which the appropriations were made.

"Will not the gentleman state that Col. Bingham states that he was transferred at his own request?" asked Mr. Graham, of Pennsylvania.

"Oh," replied Mr. Fitzgerald, "it is the common thing for officers, whose future is in the service, to make statements exonerating their superiors. But in my opinion it reflects upon the President of the United States to have it intimated that an officer is being coerced into approving expenditures his judgment does not sanction."

Mr. Cochran, of Missouri, thought the subject raised by the pending item was well worthy of serious consideration. He inveighed against the growing extravagance in official circles, the constant demand for increased salaries and allowances. He described official functions as an attempt to imitate court circles abroad. He said that fifty years ago the White House receptions were very different and far simpler than they are today. It was a fact, he said, that poor men to-day could not accept positions in the cabinet or on the bench because of the social expenses entailed, and he thought that an argument for a return to the simpler methods of the older days.

Mr. Cannon, replying to Mr. Fitzgerald, said so far as he knew there was no conflict between Colonel Bingham and the Secretary of War over the approval of vouchers. As to the language of the item under discussion, he thought it proper. There was nothing, he said, to prevent the President, at his own expense, entertaining as he chose.

Mr. Simms, Tennessee, in criticising the work of the architects who made the White House improvements, denominated the executive office "a hen coop," which would invite the attack of architects.

An amendment offered by Mr. Gaines to reduce the appropriation from $60,000 to $46,000, was voted down without division.

Mr. Jones, of Virginia, made a point of order against the item to appropriate $3,000,000 for the relief of the distress in the Philippines "by the purchase and distribution or sale of farm implements, farm animals, supplies and necessaries of life and through the employment of labor in the construction of government wagon roads, railroads, and other works." He withdrew the point of order, however, upon the understanding with Mr. Cannon that the work "on railroads" should be stricken out and that provision should be made for a detailed report of expenditures under the appropriation.

The amendment suggested by Mr Cannon was offered by him and he explained the reasons which moved the committee, almost unanimously, to report the item. He said the proposed relief was as necessary as that given Cuba and Porto Rico.

Mr. Jones, of Virginia, moved to reduce the appropriation from $3,000,000 to $1,500 000. Mr. Jones' amendment was voted down, 21 to 56.

Mr. Cannon's amendment was adopted without division.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

CRUM'S NOMINATION.

Adverse Report Agreed Upon by Senate Committee on Commerce.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The Senate Committee on Commerce to-day agreed to report adversely the nomination of Dr. W. D. Crum to be collector of the port at Charleston, S. C. The vote on confirmation was 6 to 8. All the Democrats voted against confirmation and they were reinforced by the votes of Jones of Nevada and Perkins of California.

With the exception of a few minutes during which some routine business was transacted, the session of the Senate to-day was behind closed doors.

After being in executive session for five hours the Senate adjourned.

ARGUMENTS BEFORE THE COAL STRIKE COMMISSION.

President Baer, of the Reading Company, Made Closing Speech for Operators and Darrow for Miners Begun.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 12.—Before an audience that filled every inch of space in the United States Circuit Court room, President George F. Baer, of the Reading Company, made his closing argument for the coal operators before the Strike Commission to-day, and Clarence S. Darrow, chief counsel for the miners, began the summing up for the men. The two sessions were extremely interesting, and the principal speakers held the attention of the auditors throughout their remarks.

The greatest interest was manifested in Mr. Baer's appearance before the commission to plead the case of the mine owners. There were many prominent persons present to hear him, among them being President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad; Archbishop Ryan, State senators and many mining officials from the coal regions. Mr. Baer concluded his address by making a proposition to pay the contract miners on a sliding wage scale, their wages to fall or rise with the market price of coal at New York, but that in no case shall the wages fall below the present basis. The spokesman for the coal companies took up two hours and twenty minutes in delivering his address, and when he sat down he was congratulated by hundreds of persons.

Mr. Darrow spoke at the afternoon session for two hours and a half, and will take all of to-morrow in closing the miners' case. The crowd that heard him was equally as large as that which heard Mr. Baer, and he, too, was surrounded by an admiring throng when he temporarily suspended his speech at adjournment time. His remarks to-day were directed principally at the wage statements told to the commission, which, he said, could not be relied upon.

Mr. Darrow, in opening, made a complimentary reference to the patience of the commission, reviewed the strike, and all the sufferings it entailed and said:

"I shall apologize for none of the mistakes of the men, but I do say it does not come from their accusers to call them criminals."

He went on to tell of the operators' refusal to give the men more money, and said:

"As a consequence of this act, 147,000 men laid down their tools of trade, and we have seen 750,000 men, women and children reduced to want and starvation for six long months. We have seen the President of the United States appoint this commission to settle this difficulty, and then, this afternoon, in the last of this proceeding, the man more responsible than any other comes before this commission and says we will have to do exactly that which these men demanded nine months before and which they in their blindness, their ignorance and their stupidity refused. Why did not Mr. Baer go to Mr. John Mitchell nine months ago, as he came to this commission to-day?"

"You can do just as you please about recognizing the union. If you do not recognize it, it is because you are blind and you want to bump up against it some more; that is all. It is here to stay, and the burden is on you and not upon us. There is neither the power nor the disposition in this court I take it to destroy the union. And if these agents of the Almighty cannot see the union, they had better blunder along still a few more years and possibly after a while they will know it is here and recognize it themselves."

Passing to the wage statements handed to the commission, Mr. Darrow said the operators have been deceived by their own accountants, and that when Mr. Baer informed the President of the United States and the commission how much wages his men were getting, he gave them information at least thirty or forty per cent. beyond any facts that really existed.

"If, at the end of all this time and labor, he is willing to give us five or ten per cent. on figures which he represents as our earnings," said Mr. Darrow, "we will be very glad indeed to take it."

Counsel then spoke of the skill required by the anthracite miner and the dangerousness of the occupation. He brought in view the crippled and blind miners who took the witness stand and called the commission's attention to the fact that six out of every thousand are killed in the mines each year.

"Five hundred dollars a year is a big price for taking your life and your limbs in your hand and going down into the earth to dig up coal to make somebody else rich," he said. "I have had a computation made covering every company that has filed schedule with this commission, and in Mr. Baer's company only about a third of them got over four hundred dollars in the year of 1901."

Only 2.4 per cent. of all of the Reading's skilled workmen, he said, got $900 a year, three per cent. got between $800 and $900, and 58 per cent of all the men who appear on the pay roll as contract miners got less than $300 a year. Of these 58 per cent., a large number worked only a small fraction of the year.

Mr. Darrow said the average earnings of the miners of the Reading company who earned between $400 and $800 in 1901 was $528. He said the miners' expenses for supplies averaged $40 a year.

DR. J. L. M. CURRY.

Died Last Night at the Residence of His Brother-in-Law at Asheville.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 12—Dr. J. L. M. Curry, former minister to Spain, and one of the most promitent educators in the South, died in Asheville, N. C., at 11:30 o'clock to night of Bright's disease, at the residence of his brother-in-law, Colonel Connelly. Dr. Curry had been critically ill for the past two weeks. Mrs. Curry arrived from Philadelphia last week and was at the bedside of her husband when his death occurred.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Feb. 13—The remains of Dr. Curry will be buried in Hollywood cemetery, Richmond, Va., on Sunday.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Senate has passed a bill providing for the establishment of United States courts at Wilkesboro, N. C.

The Austrian steamer Quarenro, bound from New Orleans for Venice, stranded in the Malamocco canal near there yesterday.

William Duffy, Nationalist member of Parliament for South Galway, Ireland, and three others who were imprisoned under the coercion act, were released yesterday.

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W. J. CRAIG,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.

Approved:
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.

nov 15 tf

Notice of Dissolution.

The copartnership heretofore existing between the undersigned under the firm name and style of Vollers & Hashagen has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. H L Vollers, having purchased all of the interest of F. E. Hashagen in the said firm, is alone authorized to collect the debts owing to the said firm, and has assumed and will pay all the liabilities of the same.

Dated this 7th day of February, 1903, at Wilmington, N. C.

H. L. VOLLERS,
F. E. HASHAGEN.

NOTICE.

The undersigned having purchased all of the interest of F. E. Hashagen in the firm of Vollers & Hashagen, will hereafter conduct the business carried on by the said firm at the old stand under the name of H. L. Vollers.

Dated at Wilmington, N. C., this 7th day of February, 1903.

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jan 31 1m

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At close of business, Feb. 6, 1903

(Began business March 1, 1899.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	$ 913 114 12	Capital	$ 400 000 00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	257 00 0	Surplus and Net Profits	87,181 77
Bank building	30 000 00	Circulation	1 e9e 00
Cash on hand and in banks	623 587 :0	Deposits	1,299 601 05
	$1 843,701 82		$1 841,702 84

Comparative statement of deposits.

February 6th, 1903, $ 72,527 14. February 6th, 1901, $409 :90 63. February 6th, 1902, $933 2 2 71

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.

feb 10 tf

Statement of The Peoples' Savings Bank,

OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 5th, 1903, condensed from report to Corporation Commission. (Began business April, 1900.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES	
Loans and discounts	$ 395,185 2	Capital stock	$ 50,000 00
Furniture and Fixtures	199 90	Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,076 0:
Cash on hand and due from Banks	26 673 6	Deposits	3e9 96 31
Total	$ 422,058 31	Total	$ 422 058 31

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS

February 6th, 1901, $20,914 15 February 6th, 1902, $297,3?4.37. February 5th, 1903, $389,935 31.

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